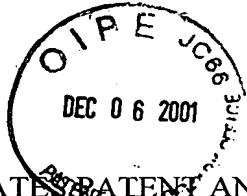


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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Notice of Missing Requirements dated August 6, 2001, be extended for a period of 2 months from October 6, 2001 to and including December 6, 2001.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$400.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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